

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

Claim to Domestic Priority

[0001]        This application is a U.S. National Stage Application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 claiming priority from the International Application No. PCT/US2003/039435, filed December 11, 2003, which claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/432,589, filed December 11, 2002, and which applications are incorporated herein by reference. ~~The present non-provisional patent application claims priority to provisional application serial no. 60/432,589, entitled "Polarization Enhanced Detector for Nanoscale Rotational Motion using Gold Nanorods", filed on December 11, 2002.~~